

GFB-7 DIV

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

: Jens Kossmann et al.

Application No.

: 09/850,991

Confirmation No.:

3510

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May 8, 2001

For

NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES CODING FOR

DEBRANCHING ENZYMES FROM MAIZE

Group Art Unit

: 1638

Examiner

: David T. Fox

New York, New York

July 2, 2003

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

> PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to file a Response to the Examiner's July 14, 2003 Office Action.

A check in the amount of \$930.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §

1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

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The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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